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REMARKS

The application and the material cited to date have been carefully reviewed along with Examiner's remarks in the Office action. After this review, Applicant is convinced that his claimed composition and articles are novel and patentable. Applicant strongly believes that his application embodies a significant discovery, that the claims define the invention in a clear and definite manner, and that all of the amended claims are allowable.

Claims 1-9 are amended and pending. The claims as amended are for better protection of the invention. They do not involve any new matter, are supported by the specification and claims as originally filed, and are not amended for reason of prior art.

The amended claims are not for the same invention of Applicant's patented '275 claims. Applicant urge that the double patenting rejection/objection be withdrawn in view of the further amended claims.

All claims are deemed allowable.

Applicant is preparing an update to the Related Application paragraph of the specification for filing in the case.

Should Examiner have any questions regarding this response, Applicant can be

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